

United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois

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Name of Assigned Judge or Magistrate Judge	James B. Moran	Sitting Judge if Other than Assigned Judge	
CASE NUMBER	00 C 3885	DATE	6/17/2003
CASE TITLE	Trans Union, LLC vs. Credit Research, Inc et al.		

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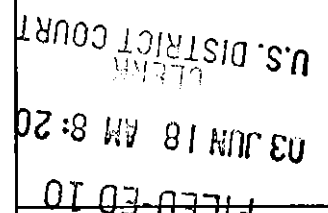

MOTION:

Memorandum Opinion and Order

DOCKET ENTRY:

- (1) ☐ Filed motion of [use listing in "Motion" box above.]
- (2) ☐ Brief in support of motion due ____.
- (3) ☐ Answer brief to motion due _____. Reply to answer brief due ____.
- (4) ☐ Ruling/Hearing on _____ set for _____ at _____.
- (5) ☐ Status hearing[held/continued to] [set for/re-set for] on _____ set for _____ at _____.
- (6) ☐ Pretrial conference[held/continued to] [set for/re-set for] on _____ set for _____ at _____.
- (7) ☐ Trial[set for/re-set for] on _____ at _____.
- (8) ☐ [Bench/Jury trial] [Hearing] held/continued to _____ at _____.
- (9) ☐ This case is dismissed [with/without] prejudice and without costs[by/agreement/pursuant to]
☐ FRCP4(m) ☐ Local Rule 41.1 ☐ FRCP41(a)(1) ☐ FRCP41(a)(2).
- (10) ☒ [Other docket entry] Enter Memorandum Opinion and Order. As we previously indicated we would do, we appoint Allen L. Berger as Special Master. The Special Master's role will be essentially that of an auditor. The Special Master, in his recommendation, shall estimate the probable costs of what he is recommending. The Special Master shall furnish the court with his recommendation within a reasonable time.

- (11) ☒ [For further detail see order attached to the original minute order.]

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

TRANS UNION, LLC,

Plaintiff,

vs.

No. 00 C 3885

CREDIT RESEARCH, INC., and CREDIT
BUREAU OF CARMEL AND PEBBLE
BEACH, INC.,

Defendants.

CREDIT BUREAU OF CARMEL AND
PEBBLE BEACH, INC., a California
corporation, et al.,

Counter-Plaintiffs.

vs.

TRANS UNION LLC, a Delaware limited
liability company, et al.,

Counter-Defendants.)

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MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

As we previously indicated we would do, we appoint Allen L. Berger as Special Master. The parties have very differing perceptions as to the scope of the reference, with defendant further suggesting that the Special Master recommend an Order of Reference after consulting with the parties. We think that is a sound approach, subject to the following constraints:

1. The Special Master's role will be essentially that of an auditor;
2. The scope of the reference should be governed by the concerns previously




expressed by the court, by the availability of records after the Special Master has an understanding of the plaintiff's system and the availability of such records, and by a recognition that any audit should be cost-effective, *i.e.*, the resources available to compensate the Special Master are limited and the possible recovery may justify some audit procedures but not others;

3. The Special Master, in his recommendation, shall estimate the probable costs of what he is recommending.

The Special Master shall furnish the court with his recommendation within a reasonable time.

June 17, 2003.



JAMES B. MORAN
Senior Judge, U. S. District Court